HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 795 By DeBerry L

A RESOLUTION to recognize Mr. Robert E. "Bobby" Nicholson on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those persons who in their years of work have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, Robert E. "Bobby" Nicholson is one such estimable person who has served with probity for 32 years with the Capitol Print Shop; his retirement on June 30, 2000 will be remembered by the many people fortunate enough to have worked with him; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nicholson began his meritorious tenure with the Capitol Print Shop on May 1, 1968; he served as a printer when the shop was located in the Capitol building, which now houses the Senate Engrossing Clerks office; and

WHEREAS, due to his astute skill and self-motivation, he was promoted to the position of supervisor in 1974 when the shop moved to its present location in the Legislative Plaza; and

WHEREAS, after dedicating his professional efforts and hard work ethic to the job, he became the manager of the Capitol Print Shop in 1994; and

WHEREAS, Bobby Nicholson is an active and important part of the community and his profession, participating in numerous civic organizations; and

WHEREAS, he has been a valued member of the Shriners for 34 years; he entered the organization as a Mason in 1966, yet another example of this remarkable man's commitment; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nicholson also contributes his time and numerous talents to his passions of flower gardening and restoring antique cars; and

WHEREAS, he is a valued and devout member of the Baptist Church in Ashland City; and

WHEREAS, he feels fortunate to share love and companionship with his wife of 42 years, Sue Carolyn Nicholson; and

WHEREAS, Bobby Nicholson's pride and joy is his pet Yorkshire Terrier, Toto; and WHEREAS, Mr. Nicholson exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that is characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Bobby Nicholson has demonstrated a remarkable ability to motivate others to reach their fullest potential, winning the respect and admiration of his peers; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we extend to Mr. Robert E. Nicholson our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement, expressing our most sincere gratitude for his service to this great state, and wishing him every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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